



May 2016 Newsletter

COURT CORNER

Did you know you could be cited for High Grass / Weeds? If convicted in Municipal Court, you can be fined up to \$2,000.00 plus court costs!

Sec. 6.02.003 High grass and weeds

(a) It shall be unlawful and a violation of this article for any person owning, claiming, occupying or having supervision or control of any real property, occupied or unoccupied, within the corporate limits of the city to permit grass, weeds or any other objectionable or unsightly vegetation to grow to a greater height than 12 inches upon any real property within 150 feet of any property line.

(b) All vegetation, not regularly cultivated and which exceeds 12 inches in height, shall constitute a nuisance.

Sec. 6.02.007 Penalty

Any person, firm, partnership, corporation or association violating any of the provisions of this article [shall] be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined in the sum of not more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for each offense; and each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense. Upon a first conviction, the fine shall not be less than fifty dollars (\$50.00). The minimum fine established in this section shall be doubled for the second conviction of the same offense within any twelve-month period and trebled for the third and subsequent convictions of the same offense within any twelve-month period.

Code of Ordinances for the City of Celina can be viewed at Celina’s official website (celina-tx.gov).

ROAD CONSTRUCTION

The City of Celina has contracted with Pavecon Public Works, LP for the rehabilitation of all roadways within the North Preston Lakes subdivision; Preston Hills Circle from Frontier Parkway to Pheasant Run Street; and CR 128 from FM 455 to Lake Drive. XIT Paving and Construction has also been contracted for the reconstruction of Maryland Street from West Walnut Street to Weeping Willow. Both contractors anticipate beginning construction on Monday, April 18, 2016 and should be complete in approximately 90 days. All locations effected by this construction will have 24 hour access during all phases of construction and will be notified prior to any required road closures. For any questions please contact the City of Celina Public Works Department at (972) 382-2682, extension 4000.

VOTING/ELECTIONS

Early voting for the May 7th General and Special Election (Charter amendments) begins Monday, April 25th and ends Tuesday, May 3rd. The local polling place is in the Celina ISD Administration Building located at 205 S. Colorado Street. Please see the city website www.celina-tx.gov or contact City Secretary Vicki Faulkner at 972-382-2682, ext 1071, vfaulkner@celina-tx.gov for more election information, sample ballots, voting times and locations.

Save the date:
Saturday, June 25th
4:00pm – 10:00pm
Old Celina Park

Free Admission
Parking \$5 per vehicle

Craft, Merchandise &
Food Vendors, Live Music,
Free Water Slides & Kids
Activities, Fireworks & Fun

MAY MEETINGS SCHEDULE

Economic Development	May 2	5:00pm	302 W Walnut
Main Street	May 5	8:30am	302 W Walnut
City Council	May 10	5:00pm	112 N Colorado
Planning & Zoning	May 17	6:30pm	112 N Colorado
Keep Celina Beautiful	May 19	5:00pm	112 N Colorado
Library Board	May 26	6:30 pm	Library

PARKS & RECREATION

Youth flag football – registration will open in May for the Fall season
Adult softball – team registration closes May 18th
<http://sports.celina-tx.gov> is the source for all league info

Celina Senior Center



Everyone is invited:
Mothers Day program by Sherden Home Health May 4th

Exercise (New Instructor!)
Lunch
Bridge
Woodcarving classes
Knitting/sewing

Mondays & Wednesdays @ 10:30am
Monday & Wednesdays @ 11:30am
Tuesdays from 10am - noonish.
Tuesdays from 1:00pm - 5:00pm
Thursdays from noon - 1:00pm

Monthly Lunch Hosts:
1st Monday: Jimbos
2nd Monday: Bethel Church
3rd Monday: Stich N Sew
4th Monday: McDonalds

1st Wednesday: Taco Bell
2nd Wednesday: First Baptist Church
3rd Wednesday: Texas Star Bank
4th Wednesday: Brookshire’s

Lunch Sponsor Guidelines:

We ask that you please have meals & beverages to accommodate up to 35 people to the Center by 11 am on the day of your scheduled lunch. Beverages may include bottled water, juices, iced tea and coffee. Thank you.

To provide a program, sponsor a lunch on Mondays or Wednesdays, or make a donation, please contact the Celina Senior Center at 972-382-7730 or Jeff at 972-382-2682 (x6002)

If there are activities that you would like to see on the calendar, place your ideas in the suggestion box. If you have questions or ideas for the senior center, please contact the Assistant Parks Director at jdavis@celina-tx.gov, or call 972-382-2682 (x6002)

Drinking Water Week May 1-7, 2016
YOUR WATER
to know it is to love it

Water - You rely on it daily, but what do you really know about it? There is so much more to H₂O than you realize! Did you know that tap water provides us with a low-cost way to stay hydrated, public health and fire protection, and nearly every product that we use every day? The more you know about your H₂O, the more there is to love! To learn more visit drinktap.org. This message is brought to you by the American Water Works Association and the City of Celina.



With Severe Weather season upon us, the City of Celina would like to remind you to make sure you are registered for Weather Warn and CodeRed. You may already be a member of CodeRed, this DOES NOT necessarily mean that you are registered for WeatherWarn. If you are currently registered for CodeRed, log in to your account and make sure that WeatherWarn is selected. This service automatically notifies you of severe weather approaching Celina. To log in or create a new account, visit www.celina-tx.gov and look for the Code Red/WeatherWarning icon on the right side of the home screen. This is a service provided by the City of Celina. If you have any questions, please contact Chief Mills at 972-382-2653 or kmills@celina-tx.gov



In accordance with the tradition of the American Public Works Association, those who work in professions that provide services and maintain public infrastructure will be honored during National Public Works Week, May 15-21. Public works professionals include those who plan, manage and operate water, sewer, streets and drainage infrastructure within the City of Celina. They are the people who maintain and improve the systems and services vital to our community's health, safety and comfort. The City of Celina Public Works Department values our community and are dedicated to providing the highest level of services through integrity and innovation. For more information please contact the City of Celina Public Works Department at (972) 382-2682 x4000 or watch an informative video located at <http://goo.gl/XtHg73>.

SUPER HERO NIGHT ON THE SQUARE



FREE



MOVIE

CONTESTS

GAMES

REFRESHMENTS

May 14

Activities 5:00-8:00PM • Movie Starts at Dark

Apr. 1
Apr. 15
May 6

May 20
June 10
June 17

July 1
Sept. 16
Sept. 30

Oct. 14
Oct. 28
Nov. 4



FARMERS MARKET
Friday Night on Celina's Historic Square

6:30 - 9:30 PM
142 North Ohio Street • Celina, Texas



Live Local Music!
Shops Open!



CELINA LADIES & FRIENDS
Bloom where you are planted

celina-tx.govCelinaLadiesAndFriends.com

STORM WATER FEES TO BE INCLUDED ON WATER BILLS STARTING IN MAY

Storm water utility fees for Celina residents, churches, businesses and other organizations take effect in May. The storm water fees stem from legislation passed by Congress in 1987. The law is designed to improve water quality in streams and lakes by requiring cities to manage their storm water runoff, which contains soil sediment, nutrients, toxic metal particles, oil, industrial waste and other pollutants. Celina Mayor Sean Terry stated, "Larger Texas cities with a population of more than 100,000, such as Fort Worth, Arlington and Austin, have been subject to these requirements since the 1990s, forcing them to enact storm water protection programs to meet federal water quality standards. In 1999, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued regulations to protect storm water quality in smaller cities. Under the Phase II Storm Water Program, Celina is one of hundreds of cities and other public entities required to develop a program to protect storm water quality. The City must perform additional services to comply with these regulations. Residents and businesses in most U.S. cities with more than 100,000 people have been paying these fees for more than 10 years, and many smaller cities in Texas have adopted storm water utility fees over the past decade." A storm sewer system is a separate utility system created to safely and efficiently convey a property's rainfall runoff into pipe systems, drainage channels, detention structures, streams and water bodies. The system requires diligent monitoring and maintenance in order to perform effectively, including activities such as: water quality protection (to protect creeks and streams from pollution); preventive maintenance (debris removal, repair of storm sewer infrastructure, erosion protection and sediment removal); and flood protection. The storm water utility fee is based on the amount of storm water runoff generated by the impervious area (parking lots, rooftops and driveways that keep rainfall from soaking into the ground and that increase runoff into the City's storm sewer system) of a property that flows to the storm sewer. Each developed property will pay a utility fee based on the property's impact to the storm collection system. The fee will be added to the monthly utility billing. Residential properties will be divided into three tiers, based on size and contribution. The basis for tier determination is the average impervious area for houses in the city. These properties will pay a flat rate per month for the respective tier classification (Tier 1/\$4.90, Tier 2/\$7.90, Tier 3/\$13.25). Non-single family residential properties (commercial, multifamily, churches, etc.) will pay \$7.75 per month per equivalent residential unit (ERU) of impervious area. For example, a commercial property like Sonic with 6 ERUs will pay \$46.50 per month. Services to be provided by the Storm Water Utility include street sweeping; gutter, inlet and creek debris cleanouts; infrastructure improvements to minimize flooding; pollution prevention; water quality protection; other drainage and water quality oriented projects. Revenues collected thru a storm water utility fee provide a stable funding source which is restricted, by State law, to storm water maintenance and improvement activities. Storm water fees help protect the community from flooding and protect riparian areas, a treasured recreational resource.

Thursday, May 5 at 5:30pm.
Non-denominational community prayer service will be held at the pavilion on the historic Main Street Square.

THERE'S ALWAYS SOMETHING GOING ON IN CELINA!

Farmers Market	April 1, April 9, May 6, May 20, June 10, June 17, July 1, Sept. 16, Oct. 7, Oct. 21 and Nov. 4	6:30PM-9:30PM Historic Downtown Square
Cinco de Mayo	May 7	2:00PM-10:00PM Historic Downtown Square
Movies on the Square	May 14, June 11, July 9, Aug. 13, Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12	Activities 5:00PM-8:00PM; Movie begins at dark Historic Downtown Square
Splash N Blast	June 25	4:00PM-11:00PM Old Celina Park
FUN Day	September 17	10:00AM-6:00PM Historic Downtown Square
Park Fest	October 15	10:00AM-9:00PM Old Celina Park
Christmas on the Square	December 7	5:00PM-9:00PM Historic Downtown Square
Christmas Gift Tour	December 10	11:00AM-3:00PM Historic Downtown Square